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JONES IS A REALITY

THE ELOQUENT TENNESSEE DIVINE ANSWERS PERTLY

QUESTION 'WHO IS J. A. JONES?'

He Explains His Right to Criticize the Bishopric—Bishop Smith is Able to Defend Himself Without Aid.

Mr. Editor: Rev. J. W. Washington, Secretary of the Louisiana Conference, A. M. E. Church, in your issue of May 2, makes inquiry as to who "J. A. Jones" is. Since I have no reason to hide, will you please let me inform Bro. Washington that "J. A. Jones" is a reality; that "it" is not a nom de plume; that there is actually living in Tennessee a fellow by that name. Inform him that every African Methodist preacher of prominence either knows "J. A. Jones" in person or knows of him. Bro. Washington is the only big (?) man in that conference in total ignorance of the nondescript, "J. A. Jones." Even Bishop Smith is personally and intimately acquainted with this what-is-it. I hope he knows Bro. Washington.

Bro. Washington thinks I "seriously reflected upon Bishop Smith by stating what had been reported respecting an official act of the bishop." Only the intelligent are able to discriminate between a criticism of an officer and the abuse of an individual. I do not mean to discuss the merits or demerits of the Bishop's action in this letter, but want to remind Bro. Washington that "J. A. Jones" knows more about the Louisiana Conference affair than he imagines I do, unless some of the leading men of that conference are great liars. I believe they tell the truth.

Will Bro. Washington deny that those men were turned down on account of their hostile attitude towards Bishop Smith's administration? Not unless he has no regard for the truth. But let that pass. Bro. Washington (whoever he is) needs to be reminded that the A. M. E. Church is a connection, and that the Louisiana Conference is a part of the whole. That Bishop Smith is a bishop of the connection and not the bishop of the Louisiana Conference. That the A. M. E. Church makes her bishops, and I happened to be a part of the A. M. E. Church, and one who helped to create Bishop Smith a bishop.

Bro. Washington may think that "the preachers and the people of Louisiana are able to take care of themselves, and do not seek or desire the interference of outsiders;" but it is because he is not well informed concerning the A. M. E. Church, or Methodist polity generally. The action of a Methodist bishop in his official capacity affects every crack and cranny of the connection. Suppose Bishop Coppin, in South Africa, ten thousand miles away, should do something to disgrace himself, do you argue that that would not affect the entire connection the world over? "Outsider" indeed!

If I lived in the moon, and claimed membership in the A. M. E. Church, I would have a right to criticise the questionable actions of a bishop even in exclusive Louisiana. And yet I have not criticised Bishop Smith's action. I simply stated what had been reported.

Bishop Smith is thoroughly able to defend himself, and doubtless will do it at the proper time, but calling names and throwing mud will not change conditions, not perverts facts; neither will it prevent men from expressing their opinions.

Bro. Washington argues (?) like an overgrown boy. What did I say against the "preachers and the people of Louisiana"? I suppose they are able to take care of themselves; but what has that to do with the report that Bishop Smith used the power of his office to turn down some of his personal enemies? If it was not true, the decent way to do is to prove the report is false. But you can't prove a thing untrue, by calling the other fellow a liar, and crying like a boy, saying, "You attend to your business." That is all tommy-rot, and it won't work with people who have brains.

He ("J. A. Jones") lives in Tennessee and not in Louisiana. But that is your mistake. I reside in Tennessee, but I live all over the A. M. E. connection. And I know much more of the Louisiana muddle than Bro. Washington thinks I do, a great deal more than he is willing to tell the public. "Think on these things," brother.

J. A. JONES,
Pulaski, Tenn.

Interesting Items.

Cairo, Ill., Special: The baptising conducted by Revs. Knowles and Greer Sunday, April 30, was largely attended. Much credit is due Rev. Rick, J. R. McGee, J. L. Brown, Rev. King, Samuel Owens, G. E. Seigler, John Watkins, Judge Graves and Ed Overby for their diligent work in the recent campaign, in which Hon. Claude Winters was elected Mayor. Mr. Winters is an excellent man and justly deserves the honor bestowed. Mrs. Gertrude Hamilton, of Murfreesboro, Ill., is the guest of Miss Mamie Carr. Miss Ada Butler, Verna Price and Mr. Lyons, all of Mound City, were the guests of Miss Francis Madison. Mrs. Fannie Ware and Miss Fannie Bailey, of Ocola, Ark., visited Miss Edwards. Miss Mattie Ousley is visiting in Ocola. Miss Lady B. Bats entertained Miss Minnie Whitcomb, of Charleston, Mo., recently. Sickness called Mrs. A. C. Bell to Beechwood. Miss Carrie Tucker and Mr. Tom Smith, two promising young people, were married by Rev. Sydes recently. The Freeman joins many friends in best wishes. Mrs. Edmonia Watkins was elected delegate to the Woman's Mite Missionary Convention at Carbondale, May 27. The members of the Arnett Cheerful League Concert Company will repeat the beautiful three-act drama, "Thirty Years of Freedom," at the A. M. E. Church, May 22. A large crowd heard the annual sermon of the Order of Gate City Lodge, No. 21, K. of P., last Sunday afternoon, at the Morning Street Free Baptist Church. Rev. Aster was assisted by Dennis Forrall. Mrs. Nancy Hudgins, one of our respected ladies of age, and of our city, is painfully ill. There was a misunderstanding on last Friday afternoon, at the corner of Twelfth and Poplar streets, between Mrs. George Carr and Mrs. Frankie Moffett, in which they went together with fists and bricks. Friends interfered before much damage could be done. Mr. and Mrs. John Ewing, of Union City, Tenn., passed through the city last week en route to St. Louis, Mo. Master William Shannon, of Commercial avenue, was on the sick list last week. Mr. Alvin Redman, of Twelfth street, who was ill last week, is at his post at the Halliday House again. Mr. Fred Bagby, of Memphis, Tenn., was the guest of his son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Redman, of Twelfth street, last week. Robt. McNeely was the guest of his cousin, Ed Overby. Mrs. F. Dixon is a charming entertainer.

JEFFERSONVILLE NOTES.

Jeffersonville, Ind., Special.—Mr. Wm. Berdeat is able to be out. * * Mrs. Mary J. Hill will go to Chicago on the 15th. * * Dr. O. W. Holloway, of Flemersburg, Ky., is in the city visiting his parents, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Holloway. * * Mrs. Vinnie Booker has gone to Carliton, Ky. * * The High School is getting ready for their commencement. * * Next Sunday, May 11, will be rally day at Wesley Chapel M. E. Church. Everybody is invited. * * Mrs. Sallie Heady is able to be out. * * Mrs. Mary Harris is convalescent. * * The electric street cars will be running in this city about May 15. * * Mrs. Mattie Fields, fifty-two years old, died at her home on Watt street, May 3, at 12:40 p. m. * * Mr. Wallace Turner, of Louisville, Ky., Mr. John and Vance Love and Mr. Bert Davis, all of New Albany, and Mr. George Hughes, of West Baden Springs, Ind., were visiting Miss Anna Adams, of this city, Sunday. * * Mrs. Victoria Morris, of this city, will visit her brother Robert, who is in the West, in July.

MOUND CITY NEWS.

Mound City, Ill., Special.—C. W. Paschal and Curtis Morris are on the sick list. * * Mrs. Curtis Morris had the misfortune of having a nail penetrate her foot last week. She is improving. * * Madison Claiborne was declared partially insane by the jury on the 28th ult. * * Mrs. Dan Roberts was initiated and Mesdames Ada Ellis and Armstrong were reinstated into the Daughters of the Tabernacle at their last meeting. * * Mrs. Jennie Porter, now of Cairo, Tim Webb and Hayward Cook secured divorces in the courts here last week. * * Frank Smith attended the dedication at St. Louis. * * Rev. and Mrs. N. Ricks and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Ricks, of Cairo, were guests of the Bolen family this week. * * Mrs. Carrie Fields, of Cairo, was in the city the 2nd. * * Thos. Hudson has removed to the Cummings property. * * Wm. Hughes, while the boat was lying at Cairo, made a brief trip here to visit his parents. * * Quarterly Conference of the Cairo District convened with the First Baptist Church the 30th ult., thus bringing a number of ministers and visitors here. The A. M. E. Church also held their quarterly meeting Sunday. A large audience was in attendance all day. Rev. T. J. Jackson, a Baptist minister, filled the A. M. E. Church pulpit Sunday morning. * * Sunflower Social Club postponed their annual entertainment till June. * * Commencement occurs May 21 at the Opera House. * * Sarah Kirby and a Mrs. Golden were fined $10 and $13 for disturbing the peace and carrying concealed weapons. * * Mrs. John Williams died on the 29th ult. * * Mrs. Jas. Barnett, daughter-in-law of Mrs. Andrew Scroggins, died on the 28th ult., after a short illness. She had lately removed here from Kentucky. * * The Masons are contemplating having a first-class entertainment soon. Watch for the date.

LAGRANGE ITEMS.

Lagrange, Ill., Special.—Rev. Shaw extends thanks to Sister Hattie Trice and to others for the delightful surprise tendered him. The omission was a mistake. * * Rev. Geo. C. Booth, pastor, and Rev. Jesse Wood, of Chicago, were the principal features at the quarterly meeting here. The church has made wonderful progress. The building committee has just closed a deal on church property, and expects to build shortly. * * An entertainment will be given at Town Hall, May 21, for the benefit of the church. Rev. Geo. Shaw, pastor. * * Mr. Robt. Oglesby is seriously ill in Chicago. * * Watch the Freeman for the program of Jos. Simms' Big Colored Ragtime Show. Some of the best talent will appear. Watch the Freeman.

They Discuss the Welfare of the Race.

The colored citizens, of Carthage, Mo., met at the Second Baptist Church Tuesday, April 21st, in a mass convention for the purpose of discussing important subjects pertaining to the condition and welfare of the race. The church was crowded with an attentive and well demeanored audience, and G. B. Abott, of the Methodist Church (colored) was chosen to preside, while Miss Lela Elmore, of Lincoln school faculty, acted as secretary. A general discussion was indulged in, each one caring to speak having an opportunity to be heard. And after the speech-making the meeting adopted the following resolution:

Whereas, We, the colored citizens of Jasper county, in mass convention assembled, looking forward to the welfare of our race politically, educationally and industrially, do hereby reaffirm our allegiance, patriotism and race pride to our race, and, whereas, in view of our immense achievements in the industrial and educational lines and the impediments that block our pathway politically and otherwise, we are compelled to speak out.

Resolved, That we condemn the act of the colored man who killed officer Leslie, in Joplin, in unmeasured terms and reaffirm that the man who was hanged to a telephone pole on the 14th inst., should have been legally hanged, after a full and fair trial in court. We denounce the brutal manner in which Thomas Gilyard (the suspect) was lynched by a mob who had no respect for law, and not being content at mobbing the suspect, they burned houses and drove from the city indiscriminately innocent people who were in no way connected with the crime. We approve of the patriotism of City Attorney Decker, Mayor Trigg and ex-Mayor Cunningham, who used every effort to prevent the lynching. We approve of the course of Sheriff Owens in using every means in his power to apprehend the guilty parties and landing them in jail and the court not permitting them bond. That we command the action of the G. A. R. and K. of P., and the good citiens of Joplin when they rose for order and put down the mob. Upon this declaration, we invoke the approbation of Almighty God and earnestly unite co-operation to become good and useful citizens.

J. A. W. YOUNG.

And the Supreme Court Joins in the Play.

PUTTING THE CONSTITUTION UNDER FOOT THEY MAKE HIM DANCE TO THEIR TIME.

MR. H. T. JOHNSON'S ENMITY

To The Freeman is Explained by One of the Laity.

Recent events have given me a very clear and final explanation of the reason why Dr. H. T. Johnson, editor of the Christian Recorders, is so bitter in his sentiments toward the Freeman, and why it is that the more independent men of the church look to the Freeman in preference to the Christian Recorder as a means of gaining honest and full information on important church questions. The editor of the Freeman is not a candidate for the Bishopry and Johnson is. Johnson depends upon the favor of the Rev. W. D. Chappelle for his election, and Chapuelle's power will depend upon the success of his efforts to discredit and to destroy the confidence of the church in the Bench of Bishops.

This week Dr. Johnson has over his own signature given me proof that he has decided to help Chappelle, whom he will not offend, and even to defend the entire Bench of Bishops.

In the Southern Revorder for February 26th appeared an article from Rev. W. D. Chappelle, Secretary of the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church, entitled, "Allen Day Thrust on the Church by the Bishops." After having carefully perused this article, the conviction grew that it was not only unjust to the Bishops and harmful to the ildest department of the church, but pernicious in its effect on the while church. Being so convinced I conceived the idea that some defense of our bishops and the book concern should be made in the Christian Recorder, the mouthpiece of our great church. Of course, the thought was that the Christian Recorder, the very life of which was threatened, would be glad to take up the cudgel in its own behalf. Having said opinion, I sent an article replying to Dr. Chappelle's attack. This morning the mail brought back the said article with the following statement written on the reverse side:

"A rule long applied to articles is that controversies begun in the church papers are not taken up in the Recorder."

Yours truly,
H. T. JOHNSON.

Perhaps the dear doctor imagined that this would be the end of the whole matter. I think, however, he will awake and find himself much mistaken. The familiar quotaton is, "Consistency, thou art a jewel." What a pity it is we can not substitute and say, "Consistency, thou art Dr. Johnson."

Where is the consistency in the editor of the chief organ of our great church in refusing to publish an article written in defence of the very department of which he is a part because of some "rule long applied?" With what consistency can the "logical candidate" self-styled) for the Bishopric aspire to episcopal honors when he refuses to allow a word of defense of the Bishops when deliberately and unjustly attacked? Why would the editor of the Recorder refuse to publish a defense of all the Bishops when maligned because of a rule long applied but recognized, seldom. And when forgetting or breaking the rule, editorially discuss and endorse an assault upon one of the bishops made by the Monitor and the Southern Recorder. The fact is that Dr. Johnson did not return said article or refuse to publish the same because of "a rule long applied." He refused simply because he was afraid to publish it. You know it would not be good policy for him to do anything that might be displeasing to the dictator, Chappelle, the insult to the bishops notwithstanding.

No doubt the argument used by Johnson in excluding my article from the Recorder is something as follows: Truth and right have nothing to do with the matter whatever, I must not, I dare not no anything which Dr. Chappelle might conceive was prejudicial to him. If I am right in my conclusions, and I have no doubt but that I am, the question now arises, "will the church stand for such truckling?" Can Dr. Chappelle or any other man say or do what he pleases and be tacitly backed up by those who are supposed to be the defenders of the church? Is the church of less consideration than any one man, or dozens of men, or hundreds of men? At first thought there are some who would answer "yes" to the above questions; but after but little reflection they would change their minds and realize that though upon the surface there are many things in our church that appear gloomy indeed, they are but surface indications. The strength of our church is not alone in those who have the ascendency, power and influence, but also in the silent forces that are but little known. The said forces have been saying little but thinking much. Because some men have said little they have been considered nonentities by many. These so-called nonenities have cared little apparently, for the underestimation of their strength, but the time is fast approaching when they will arise in their might and show where the strength of our grand old church does lie. And when that time does come, no mere truckler, or person who acts merely from policy and not principle, need expect to have a place in the front ranks of the church.

Chester, Pa. J. L. H. WATKINS.

Items.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Special.—Mr. George Smith, of New York City, is visiting his mother. * * Mr. Walter Todd, of Buffalo, was in the city Sunday, the guest of friends. * * Mrs. Anna Mason, who has been visiting relatives in Buffalo, has returned home. * * Mrs. J. Plato, who has been confined to her home through illness, is convalescent.

DOINGS IN HOUSTON

NOTES OF PROGRESS OF THE RACE DOWN IN TEXAS.

THE STAR STATE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Are Doing a Good Work--Band Contest--Personals--Society and Business Happenings.

Houston, Tex., Special.—The annual sermon of the K. of P. Lodges of our city was preached at the Antioch Baptist Church on the 26th of April, by Rev. Light, pastor in charge. The church was filled to its utmost capacity. * * Mr. A. Witherspoon and Lewis Jones visited Waco last week on business. * * Mr. Robt. Fairchild is still very ill. * * Mr. Frank Itson returned home last Thursday from a trip to West Baden, Ind., and Kansas City, Mo. * * Officer Frank Staten is still on the force. He will leave shortly for Chicago to visit his brother, Joe Staten. * * Mr. G. W. Sanders has been appointed Deputy Grand Master of the Knights of Honor of Texas and also second head waiter at the Rice Hotel. * * Sunday, April 26, Mr. James Wilson, proprietor of the Solo Saloon, received word from Brenham that Emanuel Taylor had been killed. Mr. Taylor was a business man of Brenham, and had a number of friends in Houston, and was liked by all. Mr. James Wilson and L. R. Jones left Monday for Brenham to attend the funeral. * * Prof. James Jones and his corps of teachers are doing good work at our First Ward school. * * The Star Military Band is one of the best organizations of its kind that Houston has had in many years. The band is under Prof. R. J. Anderson, who says that he challenges the State for a band contest. The boy Miller is rapidly progressing on his new slide. * * Miss Ella J. Tier, of Calvert, is in the city, the guest of Mrs. Emma Denver, 2213 German street. * * Mr. Austin Crofield has been appointed manager of the Quillian Shaving Parlor. * * You can always find The Freeman at the Thomas & Monroe Shaving Parlor, No. 211 Milian street. * * Mr. John Lewis is again confined to his bed. * * Mr. and Mrs. Monroe's baby was quite sick last week. * * F. Shelton is now barkeeper at the Buckner Saloon. * * The Union at the Antioch Baptist Church renders a creditable program every Friday night. * * Mr. Chas. Bank left Saturday for Brenham, where he will spend a week with his family. * * Mr. Lew Jones sends regards to Edward Montgomery, of the Park Hotel, Hot Springs, Ark. * * Mr. H. Pratt is head waiter at the Rice, and has twenty-seven waiters under his control. * * Mr. Burr stands at the Bristol with eight, and he says the boys are giving satisfaction in every respect. * * Every one at the Logan is doing nicely. * * Mr. Steve Gibson, chef at the Bristol, says nothing is better for a hotel man than The Freeman; also Joe Maceake, at the Burnett, says the same. * * Some of the waiters of Houston are speaking of getting the waiters of the State to build a waiters' home in the central portion of the Lone Star State. It will be a good thing if they can do so. * * Capt. Tanner has added two more to his crew, and they are all doing nicely. W. C. Tanner is no longer at the Burnett.

Muncie Happenings.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—Sunday was stewards' day at A. M. E. Church, Rev. Watkins filling the pulpit at the morning services and Rev. White delivered the evening discourse, Rev. Taylor being called to fill the presiding elder's place at Portland. * * Miss Dot Burdem, of Portland, who visited Miss Mae Stokes, of South Jefferson street, has returned home. * * The May Fair at Second Baptist Church commenced Monday evening, continuing throughout the week, under the management of the Ladies' Sewing Circle, which has spared neither time nor pains to make it the event of the season. * * Mr. R. Byron Shelton, of Indianapolis, was in this city last week on business. * * The fair of the A. M. E. Church will be held the second week in May. * * Dr. and Mrs. Norrel are entertaining the former's brother from Kentucky. * * Dr. Norrel and W. H. Stokes were in Kokomo this week on professional business.

Important news items will be received at the Freeman Office. Telephone number 2880 new.

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Every woman who is approaching maternity,
Every woman who feels that life is a burden,
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BOTH SIDES OF THE CONTROVERSY VENTILATED.

Exceptions are usually taken by some churchmen to the discussion of church matters through the columns of the secular press, especially when the question under consideration involves those in high church circles. But the church is anything but a private concern or a secret organization. When a matter is given the public, it is public property. The Negro is too prone to the habit of raising a dust with closed doors and windows all down. When the dust is "settled," it is still in the house, and the slightest breeze is liable to raise the same dust at any time. Sweeping dirt back under the bed or up in a corner is a poor way to clean out a room.

Dr. G. E. Taylor, editor of the Southern Christian Recorder, recently criticised the action of Bishop C. S. Smith in having three of the most prominent ministers of the Louisiana Conference without appointments. It is alleged that this was done through revenge. Editor Taylor seems to have felt called upon to criticise this flagrant abuse of episcopal power. Bishop Smith subsequently made his defense through the press. Since that time other editors, siding with Dr. Taylor, have had their say, some of them suggesting that the curtains now fall, the doors be closed, the windows all be put down and let the dust settle. The dust may settle, but the house will not be clean. It needs ventilation.

There are two sides to this question, as is always the case. That these men were located against their will, or placed on the supernumerary list by the Bishop, on account of their hostile attitude toward the administration, there seems to be no doubt. That is the role that politics usually plays in all Methodist churches, and Bishop Smith is no exception. The bishopric changes no man's general character. On general principles a man's actions will be the same in the bishopric that they were as an itinerant in the ranks.

From the best of authority it would seem that the cause of this trouble dated back to former administrations. The discipline of the A. M. E. Church provides that each annual Conference pay thirty dollars to the Bishop for traveling expenses; but the three men in question had, during former administrations, been leading the way to give the Bishops double and treble that amount, they having control of the Conference. When Bishop Smith went to Louisiana, he saw proper to select a different cabinet. These men were taken down and others put in their places. This he had not only the authority, but the right to do. Then it appears that the war was on. The new cabinet were willing to pay Bishop Smith this excessive amount for traveling expenses, while the "outs" were opposed to it. They made an open fight on the Bishop, and doubtless attempted to embarrass him. The Bishop watched for his opportunity, and retaliated by leaving them without an appointment.

Now, what are the facts? If it was right to give other Bishops $60 for traveling expenses, it was right to give it to Bishop Smith. If Dr. Green et al. agreed, while they had control of the conference, to give former Bishops fabulous sums of the Conference money, they should have quietly submitted to the action of the new cabinet in doing the same. If Bishop Smith meant to revolutionize affairs in that Conference by taking down some objectionable presiding elders, he might also have struck a blow at the extravagant use of the Conference money.

Viewed from a distance, the situation seems to be as follows: The men taken down by the Bishop have been in control of the Conference for years. They opposed Bishop Smith's coming to Louisiana. The Bishop, knowing this, reduced them. This action on the part of the Bishop served to further stir their ire. They exhibited their resentment in an open attack. In this they acted unwisely. Bishop Smith showed his temper by "striking back." This was quite natural, but it is to be regretted that there is a Bishop on the bench who has not yet become master of his "self."

There is another view to take of this unfortunate circumstance. It will open up a line of discussion which will probably result in correcting a habit of many other Conference rings of dishing out the people's money and throwing it away in their effort to bribe the powers that be. It will probably put a stop to some of those in authority accepting a bribe; or, to put it in other words, it will call a halt to some of the Bishops demanding more than the law allows them.

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We pay our Bishops handsome salaries. Many of us are seriously considering the question of increasing their salaries. Incidents of the Louisiana Conference nature are calculated to seriously cripple the project.

Bishop Smith is one of the wealthiest men of the race. He went into the bishopric a rich man, as compared to others of his race. A plea of poverty could not have prompted his demand for $75 for traveling expenses. He was simply following a precedent, and requiring the same treatment that was accorded his predecessor.

It is for the public to say whether or not he was right or wrong, either from a moral or legal standpoint, or both. One thing is certain: closing the columns of the church papers against further discussion will not settle this very unpleasant and regrettable affair. The wisest man can not accurately predict the result.

Pulaski, Tenn. J. A. JONES.

A. & I. INSTITUTE. WILKESBORO, NORTH CAROLINA.

Is there anything comparable in heartquickening power, to genuine friendliness? I think not The true genuine friendliness is unlike the ordinary friendship, for we expect a friend to stand by us. But it is the genuine friendliness that extends a helping hand before aid is asked, and includes all strangers, as well as acquaintances, which gives a seat to the aged traveler never before met; which smiles a welcome to the weary pilgrim resting for a moment on the door step. My friends, when true friendliness lives in a human heart there lurks no envy towards those who are struggling side by side with it in science, art, literature or the more humble paths of life. But I am sorry to say, in this age of rapid progress, little thought is given to our fellow beings—less of their welfare and still less of their future. The majority of our people in this day are living all to themselves and for themselves. And in their rush to get gain for themselves, few ever think of rendering a kindness, or doing an act of brotherly love.

This is an age of selfishness, though it should not be so. We should look about our immediate neighborhoods for a place where a smile, a kind word, a friendly touch of the hand would be welcome. We should do all in our power to bring a bright ray to those cast down and in distress. No matter how small, it soothes and gives encouragement, and by so doing, many a soul is made to feel happy, where otherwise they would feel friendless and forsaken.

In looking back to our childhood days we recall the kindness of a loving and affectionate mother, and in tracing her watchful vigilance, how thankful we feel for her love and devotion. We were taught love in our first lessons, but like many other cradle teachings we are proceeding regardless of them, and are existing in a cold and selfish sort of way.

My friends, the days of our forefathers were quite different. All neighbors for miles around were known, likewise their doings; and in case of misfortune, ready and willing hands of assistance were extended; many times greater sacrifices were involved to render such service and it was not with intent of compensation, but of helping a neighbor, that inspired these sacrifices and kind services. Those were the good days when brotherly love existed and all felt an interest in each others welfare. Such cannot be truthfully said of to-day, but instead, the world is in a sorrowful plight, and one that should not exist. There is much in a kind word. A word of encouragement has made many a man or woman a success, where otherwise he or she, would have been a complete failure, and perhaps filled a suicide's grave.

My friends, we should seek more ways to help the tired and disheartened and do more to help raise fallen humanity. When we see a kindly act, a word of commendation is in order. If more kindly words were volunteered to those who by gracious acts are constantly making the world better, more would be apt to follow their example. So let us all as a race, give a smile, speak a kind word, render a tender touch where good can be done by doing so. Friendliness carries with it so many charms, and makes for those who practice it, so many friends. All her ways are bright and peaceful. Then let each of us try to practice simple, heartfelt friendliness. Then life's burdens will be made lighter and existence made happier.

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A. and I. Inst., North Wilkesboro, N. C.

MOUND CITY, ILL., NEWS.

C. M. Paschall, Curtis Morris and Mrs. Wilella Stovall are ill at this writing. * * John Martin, of St. Louis, spent a few days in the city last week. * * Miss Ida McKinney is visiting her mother, Mrs. McKinney. * * Harrison Cherry, an employe of the Kankakee Hospital, was here this week looking after his real estate. * * C. L. Rice, Geo. Hayes and Nathan Kay, are at home. * * Mrs. Lucy Adams had her hands burned severely by her apron catching fire last week. * * Annie Talley was quietly married on the 20th to a Mr. Micheaux, of Dewmaine. * * Nineteen persons were baptized on the 26th under the auspices of the Second Free Baptist Church, by Rev. A. J. Donaldson. A more quiet or orderly baptism has not occurred recently; yet a large assembly witnessed it. Several persons from Cairo and surrounding towns were present. * * Joe Franklin wishes to hear from his brother, Wm. Franklin. When last heard of, a year ago, he was in Duval, Ark. * * Henry Williams is enlarging his restaurant. * * School closes May 14. Commencement exercises May 21st.

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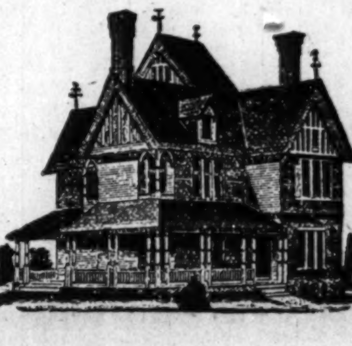

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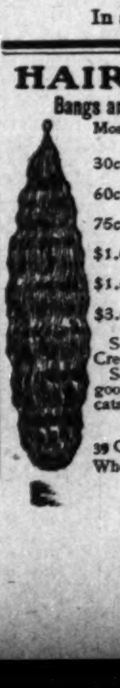

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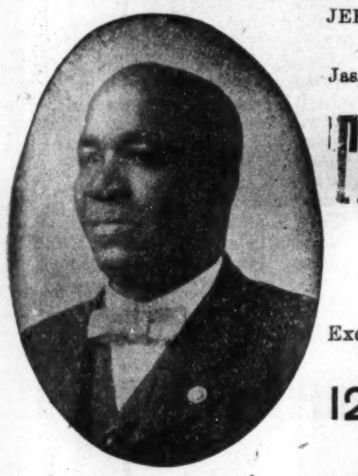

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The Waiter

A Few of Our Mistakes.

Mr. Editor—Being identified with the "White Apron Artist Brigade" I shall endeavor to chat along that line. I wish to call your attention to the fact that men of other business, from the highest station of life down to the most humble capacity, are all subject to mistakes and branded with faults. We are no exception to the rule. It is just as natural to error in the affairs of life as it is in the law of nature for affect to follow cause. A physician may see at once from common observation that the patient is in a state of decline, but often it requires a close diagnosis to determine the cause; often the little point is passed undetected and the result is fatal. It is an acknowledged fact that colored waiters are becoming more and more unpopular. I have heard many distinct reasons given, but in my mind it is a "complication of diseases," and as the symptoms present themselves they should be carefully noted by head of department, who should rectify them at once. This should not be neglected under any circumstances; it will bring good results. As the adage goes—"Little leaks will sink a ship." I am proud to say that the pilot, Mr. John T. Gilbert, of the ship on which I am now sailing, is the peer of headwaiters from a technical point of view, but how many ships of to-day are drifting with the tide? When a ship is anchored in harbor she is undisturbed, but when her sails are set it is then she comes in contact with the stormy billows, but she struggles on and on until she reaches the point proposed. Looking at the situation in this light, let us not stagger through life aimless, but fix our eyes on some point proposed and battle with the tide. We should not allow ourselves to become alarmed because of adversity—competition makes perfection. Few men do their best until they are forced. Stick to the ship, boys, and if through the convulsion of affairs we are dashed on a rock, let us go down in the hungry deep like men, for we are America's grandest bread winners. We are a generous people, but should not allow our generosity to get away with our better knowledge. Do not override the stipulation of the house for the sake of a paltry tip. This is detrimental to your employer, and it is not to our credit to continue such a wasteful process. As the old plantation Negro philosopher has said, "Whar eber de old hen scratches dar she spex to find a bug." This is, indeed, true, and belongs to our business. But remember "there are more ways to kill a dog without choking him on butter." Do not make a mockery of your business through mere oversight of the little leaks. Restrain from bringing intoxicating beverages around your place of business. How can a man expect to have knowledge when he places within his mouth a demon to steal away his reason, Do not openly declare yourself a believer or follower of "Scrapology" as this is a bone of contention and is the root of much prejudice toward the rising generation. We of the 20th century should have enough personal pride to keep up a neat appearance at all times, whether in the dining room or out, yet I am a little opposed to the variety of uniforms some hotels call for. They have more costume than is really necessary. Of course we understand that it is a matter of speculation, but it is a gross injustice. Among the thousands of cheap rules posted from the dining room back to the alley of the various hosteleries. The one that impressed me more than any other reads as follows:

"Give your order in a quiet and distinct manner to each department; no boisterousness will be tolerated under any circumstances."

This noise, I am sorry to say, is very characteristic of my people. Just a little thoughtfulness along that line and we will be able to accomplish more. If you chance to net a neat little sum of tip do not go about with a placard on your back—"money to let." If you must participate in a game of chance let some rule and order prevail; avoid loud talking. As to cards, I am told that there are ones in a pack which are emblematic of some event or historical character. I myself do not know, but I do know that the ace of spades represents the implement which digs the gambler's grave. I know of lads whose hands are stained with innocent blood. More than one mother's heart has been broken because of this depraved habit. This reiteration, I know sounds to you like a church bell, but I hope it is entitled to some consideration. The fact that we are the sons of Ham does not necessarily follow that we should adopt "ham-waiter's" tactics. Just another thought and I shall leave space for imagination. It is quite fashionable for colored waiters to run from pillow to post. Their hearts seem to be filled with delight, most especially this time of year, they step out and kiss the sunbeams in anticipation of changing situations. But let me say to you it is policy to continue to do business at the same "old stand" Then let us have more stability and bind ourselves in one common band of brotherhood and become an important factor in the affairs of the nation.

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C. C Lewis	Louisville, Ky	1
Douglas Miller	DesMoines, Iowa	1
R. S Kittrell	Denver, Col.	2
J. J Miles	Milwaukee, Wis.	2
C Saunders	St. Paul, Minn	1
Charles W. Dwyer	Minneapolis, Minn	1

Hotel Notes from Denver, Col.

The "None Such" whist club is the home of the Denver waiters. The St James Hotel at Denver, Col., has opened its doors as an European hotel with an entire crew of colored waiters. Mr Lassoton is the headwaiter. The Albany waiters gave their annual ball on the 27th. Charles Owens, headwaiter at the American House, is succeeding admirably.

Weekly Budget of News.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.—Our Sunday services were extremely fine. Rev. G. W. Parks, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist church, preached an able sermon. Rev. D. Clark, D. D., preached at Monumental Baptist church. A revival is in progress at this church Rev. W. G. Ward, pastor. Rev. J. N Holt, D. D., preached a well prepared sermon at Warren A. M. E. church to a large congregation. The Chickamauga Baptist church choir rendered some excellent music, which did much to enliven the speech making at the educational meeting. The Orchard Knob Baptist church choir also furnishe music which was like many cages of birds singing of the coming of spring. Rev. J. W. Tate, D. D., pastor of Widley Memorial M. E. church, preached an excellent sermon to a large and appreciative audience last Sunday. An educational meeting was held at Orchard Knob Baptist church, Prof. J. W. Williams, president, presiding. The devotional services were conducted by Rev. W. B. Fleming. Subject, "The great need of fostering all means to educate these many generations of the Negro race." A number discussed the subject. The meeting was well attended by the people. The grand and noble fraternity of Masons convened at the First Baptist church to listen to the annual sermon preached by Rev. G. W. Parks, D. D. The sermon was a very impressive one. The choir furnished music for the occasion, which was indeed grand. Rev. C. H. Trusty, B. D., pastor of the Presbyterian church, preached a powerful sermon to his congregation on Sunday. Prof. Wallace, the musical director, rendered some very sweet music. Rev. W. H. Tilman, Ph D., pastor of the Second Baptist church, preached a very instructive sermon to a fine congregation, which gave great signs of being much lifted up. Rev. Harris, pastor of Grove-st. Baptist church, preached a fine sermon to a large congregation. Rev. A. Jas. Gorham, A. B., pastor of Tompkin A. M. E Z church, preached a well prepared sermon by which the minds of the people were lifted high upon the plane of Christianity. The choir reflected great credit in rendering music on this occasion. Rev. R. I. Apostle, pastor of St. Elmo A. M. E. Z. church, preached a great sermon. The choir sang some sweet music.

A Budget of Items from Idaho.

Wallace, Idaho, Special.—Mrs. Starling has decided to give The Freeman a fair and impartial trial for one year. A few ladies will entertain a party of Spokaneites in Wallace in the near future. Preparations are being made. Our town will be very quiet for the next sixty days, a religious wave suddenly made its appearance. We know the cause. Mrs Helen Davis of Tacoma. Wash., is confined to her bed with rheumatism. James Brown will make a flying visit to Seattle and Tacoma on business. The agent is talking Freeman to him. Miss A. Booker and cousin were given an ice cream feast at their residence last week Mrs. Mitchell and Perkin's hand laundry is strictly on the cash basis as they are always singing "If you aint got no money, you needn't come around." Miss Maud Curtis is so jubilant over The Freeman that she wants them to write her a letter. H. J. Owens, our Sunday-school superintendent, says the attendance is decreasing. Remove the defect and continue the good work. The Sunday-school services were held at the residence of Mrs. Sam Jones. The attendance was small.

B. T. Washington and His Critics.

A colored writer in a Chicago journal has the following to say of Washington and his critics: "For years Frederick Douglass was hounded, purposely and deliberately misconstrued, his motives impugned and the great 'business of his soul' derided and scoffed at by the 'niggers' of his day and time, until by the sheer strength of his overshadowing intellect and the magnetic splendor of his consecrated life, he won the admiration and confidence of the Caucasians of two continents, and was able from the heights he occupied above, to look down with pity, if not contempt, upon the 'niggers' who would have murdered his great career had their envious spite been strong enough.

"Booker T. Washington, a great man, the Negroes' most influential advocate and wisest adviser, has been and is still treated by the 'niggers' of the race as was the 'Sage of Anacostia,' and why?

"Is it because since the day he left Hampton Institute, unknown, penniless, friendless, but determined, he has wrought unceasingly, wondrously, greatly, for his people?

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"In his personality, as son, husband, father, neighbor and citizen of the State, he cannot be assailed; he never has been so assailed. Mischief's vile tongue is stiffened in his presence and slander hides its head behind the bigness of his shadow. Nevertheless the penalty, the price of superiority and greatness had to be paid. The 'niggers' required their pound of flesh; their little jealousies demanded appeasement, and their grotesque assumptions had to be aired and flattered; so that ever since he wrote his name among the 'princely few,' and the Anglo-Saxon world hailed him as one of mankind's greatest educators, a motley mob of 'niggers' have been shooting their tiny arrows at him."

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"THE SOULS OF BLACK FOLK."

Without doubt the most interesting publication by a colored man up until this time is "The Souls of Black Folks" by Prof. W. E. B. DuBois of the Atlanta University, a book that will be classed with the literature of the times. The author is a man of rare education, which was obtained at home in the best institutions and abroad. It is conceded by scholars that Prof. DuBois is one of the eminent men of to day along the lines of his chosen work, economics and social problems.

"The Souls of Black Folks" is conceived in a somewhat different spirit to anything written by DuBois; he forsakes the treatise style of the statistical tendency, but not wholly; he weaves a chain, a wealth of language in and about the mass of information he has on hand, giving that romantic and spell-binding effect that makes Macauley so readable, carrying the reader along willy nilly.

The volume is so filled with themes seductively treated that to specialize would be fairly useless, yet it would be Hamlet omitted, not to speak of the chapter devoted to "Booker T. Washington and others." Prof. DuBois stands for the other phase of education, and, while not opposing the Washington plan altogether, he does not think it the safest thing on which to predicate the nation's hope for prosperity. He explicitly says that Mr. Washington asks that the black people give up "higher education of Negro youth;" industrial education, accumulate wealth and conciliate the South. After fifteen years of the policies what have we? asks DuBois. He answers, "The disfranchisement of the Negro; the legal creation of a distinct status of civil inferiority for the Negro; the steady withdrawal of aid from institutions for the higher training of the Negro."

Prof. DuBois does not charge Mr. Washington directly with bringing about the situations outlined above, "but his propaganda has, without a shadow of doubt, helped their speedier accomplishment." He sets in opposition to Mr. Washington and his themes such men as Grinks, Kelly, Miller, J. W. E. Bowen with these principles antipodal: "The right to vote, civic equality, the education of youth according to ability."

The chapter "Of the dawn of freedom" is a beautiful exposition of that period immediately subsequent to the war, the days of the Freedmen's Bureau, where is set forth the heroic struggles of self-sacrificing white men and women who labored to set the Negroes up as a people. In fact the whole volume is history, song, panegyric of the race touched here and there with a breath of criticism for either race, but all in the spirit of helpfulness as the author views it. The book must be seen and read to be appreciated. It is printed in bold face type on Aberdeen book paper. It sells for $1.20. A. C McClurg Co., Chicago, publishers.

It is said that the better white citizens of Joplin, Mo., are doing their best to have the Negroes return who were driven away recently. They insist that the dangerous element among the whites committed the wrongs. They will rebuild the destroyed homes and in every way make amends for the depredations committed on the colored people. It goes to say that the spirit of tolerance is not dead, but resides in the proper place, in those who can save when they are willing. The better citizens of Joplin will teach a valuable lesson to the lawless element in making the generous reparation that they are said to be contemplating. It will be an object lesson for those of the entire country who feel that the Negroes have no rights that they are bound to respect.

Ex-President Grover Cleveland said some very good things at the opening of the St. Louis World's Fair. In fact he has been dealing out chunks of wisdom in these latter days. Has he a method?

A letter appeared in the Indianapolis News, one day last week, signed "Southern Woman," wherein she expresses very much uneasiness of mind at what she feels to be a tendency to put the Negroes on equality with the whites of the South. Her fears, however, are groundless so far as any studious attempt to bring about the situation. What may happen "in the course of human events" no man is prepared to say. But it may safely be said to-day that the white people, whether of party or otherwise, are not bent on forcing social equality, and the thing can hardly come without assistance from that source. Her criticism of the action of the colored people after the Jacksonville, Fla., fire in 1902, of course, carries weight, but their actions in that case, and in many cases, can be somewhat overlooked, simply because they are not all up on the ethical code, the proprieties and such like. They doted on their white friends of the North feeling that they were very much in evidence in the minds of the whites of the North who, as they thought, sent the supplies. The Southern Woman admits that they knew no better, for it was the government that sent relief and not an individual or individuals. They claimed a share in the supplies, and justly so, but perhaps in a manner that was vicious and selfish, as is the case in the desent to the more animal phase.

It is being given out from some quarters that the result of the recent importation of colored men to Mexico as laborers has been satisfactory. The laborers, according to the information, were promised and received $1.50 per day in silver for their services. Railroad contractors and plantation operators see in the movement a relief to the threatened labor "famine," the inference being that the Mexicans are neither able or willing to do the class of work required.

We give out the above with caution, from the fact that other reports from Mexico anent colored colonists have not been of such a rosey hue. Those contemplating such a move should put themselves in communication with those on the scene. Mexico is a long distance, even from Alabama, where the movement seems to be more pronounced; and men are not always so solicitous about the return trip as they are concerning the trip forward.

The colored citizens of Aurora, Ill, have started a very commendable movement to be known as the "New Era Improvement League." According to its resolutions it hopes to cultivate closer and better relations among the colored people, having their betterment in mind; it will seek to promote industrial and commercial enterprises, encourage thrift, denounce idleness and demand justice and equality before the law. Those heading the movement are L. N. Johnson, William Russell, president, Rev. George Dixon, A. L. James, Ed. Warren, John Morton, James Johnson, Dave Redmond, Mitchell Bridgford, William Moore, Samuel Bell, Charles Dyer, secretary.

Mr. Andrew W. Hilyer of Washington, D. C., is coming in for a great share of praise for his management of the S. Coleridge Taylor Choral Society which rendered "Hiawatha" recently in that city. Mr. Taylor is an English Negro who stands in the first ranks as a composer. His composition based on Longfellow's beautiful poem, "Hiawatha," has been hailed as one of the successes of the day. It has been sung before the best audiences of England, in its best musical halls. Portions of the poem, especially the wedding feast, is peculiarly fitting for musical themes, being so nearly allied to music in its purest form.

Bishop Turner of the A. M. E. church is astride his hobby, the emigration scheme, which is now presented in a somewhat modified form. The Colored National Emigration and Commercial Association is the title of the organization, which is supposed to embody the bishop's views, but which does not limit its usefulness merely to the promotion of emigration to Liberia, Africa, but will do all possible toward stimulating trade with that country. The purposes, as set forth by the association, are laudable and worthy of encouragement.

Joseph Shively, who was recently whipped by a mob in Bloomington, Ind., has asked the governor for protection. He has been ordered to leave the town within fifteen days on the penalty of death. If Shively has committed a crime he should be tried for it, if not, Bloomington is just as good a place to stay as anywhere else. It is to be hoped that the governor will see to it.

The Colored National Emigration and Commercial Association will hold its second annual convention at Montgomery, Ala., June 24, 1903. Bishop Henry M. Turner is leading the movement.

One of the great books of the century—"The Souls of Black Men," by Prof. W. E. B. DuBois of Atlanta University, of Harward, of Berlin.

Quite a number of Marion, Ind., people were in the city Wednesday to pay their respects to Prof. B. T. Washington. They made special arrangements, going to considerable expense in chartering a car for the occasion. Among those who came were Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Thomas, Mrs. Madison Knox, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Burden, W. J. Sizemore, Ellworth Holliday, Homer Hill, Curtis Green, Henry Horniday, Leroy Smith, Daniel Graham, Daniel Burden, Stephen Leay, Fred Jones, Mrs. John Chavis, Mesdames Lydia Scott, Fred Smith, Daisy West, Henrietta McAfee, Virgie Bass, Ida Bass and son Paul, Misses Rasa Ellis, Bertie Burden. Miss Cora Julius returned home with the party. Charles Spires and Madison Knox, managers.

Prof. Booker T. Washingson spoke in Indianapolis, last Wednesday evening, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. at Roberts Park M. E. church. He was introduced by Bishop Abraham Grant, who made fitting remarks concerning the great educator. He was greeted by a large and enthusiastic audience, and standing room was at a premium. His speech embodied his well-known views on industrial education and the race question. Mr. Washington's visit will be treated with greater consideration next issue.

A communication from Moose Jaw, N. W. T., reaching this office speaks in glowing terms of that country and its possibilities for colored people. It says of 4,000 home seekers here only one colored face was seen. The writer says that the wages are good and that laborers of all kind are in demand.

The mental agility displayed by the Supreme Court as it concerns the Gile's case was something remarkable; the versatility of the court's personnel would be an amusing subject if it were not for the grave import of the case. How not to do it seemed to have been the ruling spirit.

The Freeman appreciates the invitation to attend the commencement exercises of the medical department of Howard University, Washington, D. C., May 5th.

The Democratic party has been looking for the combination which would throw them together for several years. Will it be —— when they get together?

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In order to give as many of the race as possible a chance to get some of the stock of the Wilgera Oil and Gas Company the directors have decided not to sell more than ten shares to any one person. It is desired that the stock be thoroughly circulated among the race, and the greater the number of those who have but one or two shares it is claimed that the greater will be the number of the race who will enjoy the earnings of the company, and thus making it a race affair in the broadest sense. The company now has a gas well, and the contract will be let in a few days for another oil well, and they believe it will be a gusher. There is great activity in the oil fields of Ohio, and oil has advanced three cents on the barrel, the Standard Oil Company offering $1 53 per barrel at the well.

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Jottings from Steubenville.

Steubenville, O., Special.—The members and friends of Simpson M. E. church gave a reception to their pastor, Rev. S. H. Ferguson, and family April 24th, which was largely attended and enjoyed. The following program was rendered: Devotional exercises; introductory remarks, Bro. A. E. Kent; on behalf of the officiary, Rev. Jas. Howard; solo, Miss Gertrude Howard; the choir, Bro. I. N. McCullough; song, congregation; the Sunday-school, J. H. McCullough; solo, Miss Eugenia Anderson; the Epworth League, N. Howard; the church, Bro. George W. Howard; song, the League; behalf of the ministry, Rev. Primus Alston of the A. M. E church; response, Rev. S. H. Ferguson. Light refreshments were served by the League at the close. The program was in charge of Mrs. Mamie Kent of the literary department. Miss Annie Howard was accompanist. The members of Simpson M. E. church are proud of their new edifice. The congregation has increased considerably. Dr. E. A. Dale of Cleveland, Ohio, has located in this city, and already has built up for himself a good practice. Quarterly meeting at Quinn A. M. E church, May 3d. Dr. Charles Bundy, presiding elder, conducted the services. Quarterly meeting at Simpson was held May 8th, 9th and 10th. A reception was tendered Dr. Simmons on Friday evening by the church. Miss Helen Scott, the agent for The Freeman, is untiring r efforts to secure subscribers for the paper and soon will reach the half century mark. Let no one refuse her and be prepared to pay. The choirs of Simpson M. E. and Quinn A. M. E churches are rehearsing to take part in the Centennial of Methodism the last of this month in connection with all the Methodists of the city. Miss Sadie Mercer of Mt. Pleasant, Ohio, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Zoie McCullough. The Steubenville Sub-District League convention met in Cadiz, April 30 and May 1, under the leadership of Bro. Nelson Howard. The district is moving on nicely. George Brown, a young man working at the mills here, was seriously hurt by being struck by a heavy chain. Quarterly meeting was held at the A. M. E. church last Sunday, at which time Rev. Charles Bundy preached two able sermons. The committee is making great preparations to entertain Major General Robt R. Jackson and Adjutant General J. L. Jones on the 18th. A program will be rendered and dancing will be a feature.

Married—Other Notes.

Wheeling, W. Va., Special.—Mr. Eugene Barton, one of the old-time McLure house waiters, was married on the 22d of April to Miss Sadie Ruffner, one of Wheeling's fairest belles. The occasion was one of the best and most enjoyable affairs that has been in Wheeling for some time. Many costly presents, followed by a house warming at Mr. Theo. Ruffner's, brother of the bride. Mr. Barton is headwaiter at the Eclipse Club, one of Wheeling's fashionable eating houses. Wish the newly married couple success and prosperity in all their undertakings. Mr. Horace Clements of Pittsburg, late of Grand Central hotel, Wheeling, is back at the McLure house. Daniel E. Palmer, who very recently returned from Cleveland, Ohio, and was married to Miss Hazel Jones Clemons, is back at the McLure house. Mr. Palmer's bride is Mr. and Mrs. Clemon's only daughter, and one the most respected and well to do families of Wheeling. The churches are all having a rally. The A. M. E. church, last Sunday, took in over a thousand dollars to pay on the parsonage which they recently built.

Celebration and Personal.

Albany, Ga., Special.—St. Andrew's Tabernacle C. M. E. church celebrated its twelfth anniversary during the week of April 21 to 26. The rally was a financial success, something over $160 was realized after deducting expenses. Bishop L. H. Holsey, D. D., of Atlanta, Ga., was the orator of the day on Sunday. Mrs. J. J. Phillips of Americus spent last week in the city, the guest of Normal faculty. Sylvester Brown has accepted a position with S. Fleisher. Dr. R. E. Grier is enjoying an excellent practice. B. W. Warren of Americus visited Dr. R. E. Grier last week. Revs. Lee O'Neal, H. L. Satworth and Ford were guests of Rev. M. H. Rutherford recently. Prof. J. L. Murray is somewhat improved from his recent illness.

News Note.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Special—Bailey and Spiller and Joe Britton, of the Black Brittons, while in Grand Rapids, were highly entertained by Shamey Robinson, manager, and the members of the Bennington Club. Mr. Robinson knows how to entertain the profession, and all coming to Grand Rapids should not forget him. We are sorry that we can't stay over to see the game of ball to-morrow between the Imperials and the Bennington clubs. Every evening after the performances of the Brittons at the Grand and Bailey and Spiller at Smith's Opera House, there was a race to get to the Bennington Club and indulge in such amusements as piano recitals, songs, whist, billiards, pool and the menu until the wee hours of morning.

Dallas News Notes.

Dallas, Tex., Special: The excursion the past week brought many visitors to the city. There were many homicides recorded during the week, but no strife in uppertendom. Dan Jones, the veteran minstrel man, and J. B. Brown, late of the famous Georgias, are planning something new in comedy for their pickaninny crew of performers. Many of our citizens are improving their homes at this season and men of the trades are kept busy to such an extent that the Negro is making fast strides toward wealth and prosperity.

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WANTED—To know the whereabouts of Tom Smith and Mrs. Mary Norris. When last heard of were in Edgefield county, S. C. It is of importance to Mrs. Della Nelson, wife of Samuel J. Nelson, 459 Young street, Dallas, Texas.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of S. H. Ingram will confer a favor by addressing his daughter at 142 Done street, Dallas, Tex. When last heard from he was in St. Louis.

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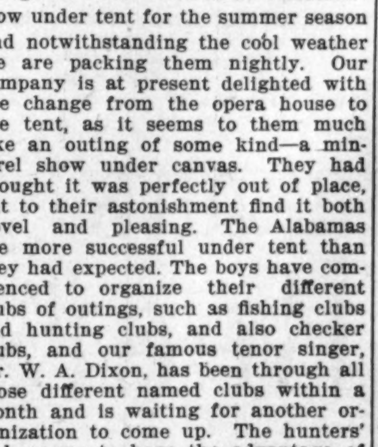

Notes from L. Cooper, of Culligan & Morgan's Great Alabama Minstrels: Now under tent for the summer season and notwithstanding the cool weather we are packing them nightly. Our company is at present delighted with the change from the opera house to the tent, as it seems to them much like an outing of some kind—a minstrel show under canvas. They had thought it was perfectly out of place, but to their astonishment find it both novel and pleasing. The Alabamas are more successful under tent than they had expected. The boys have commenced to organize their different clubs of outings, such as fishing clubs and hunting clubs, and also checker clubs, and our famous tenor singer, Mr. W. A. Dixon, has been through all those different named clubs within a month and is waiting for another organization to come up. The hunters' club seems to have the advantage of the rest in this way. They have their own cook, and a "peach" too, Kid Langford, and the hunters' club seems to bring in the most game and also have the most inviting lunches or spreads. Among us they are becoming so popular that their ammunition is costing them nothing. The members of the entire company gladly donate them to have an invite to their different spreads. The fisherman is coming up slow, and at present is not catching enough fish to compensate for the time wasted in hunting bait. How would you like to be a fisherman? Mr. Frank Clermont, one of our cornet principals here, is very busy daily, fixing up his repertoire of music for his band the coming season with Rusco & Holland's big minstrel festival. He has three sets of folios near complete, and if the writer is any critic or authority at all, he has certainly one of the swellest collections of both concert and marches I ever saw put together. Mr. Clermont is not full of egotism, and, using only his own ideas, but is coupling his thoughts and ideas daily with other eminent musicians, consequently how can he be unsuccessful? He leaves here as soon as his place can be filled. He is very anxious now to get off, and rest, and look out for his own interest for the coming season.

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A RABBIT'S FOOT CO—Cochrane, Ga., May 11; Hawkinsville, 12.

MALLORY BROS. (Feuberg Stock, Co.)—Kingston, Canada, week of May 11.

P. G. LOWERY 4-Paws & Sells' Bros.' Circus—Kansas City, Mo., May 12-12; St. Joseph, 13; Nebraska City, Neb., 14; Lincoln, 15; Omaha, 16.

W. H. Juniper and Miss Ella Hayes, "The Independent Coons," produced their new act with "Way Down South Co," May 1.

Cooper, the black Napolean of ventroloquism, who is resting at his home in Binghampton, N. Y., was a recent visitor in New York City. He would like to hear from the Alabama Minstrels.

The music loving people throughout the country should watch the movements of the enterprising managers, Messrs. Rusco and Holland, for next season's pleasant surprises. They simply lead and will not follow.

While playing at Uniontown, Pa., several members of the Black Patti Troubadours were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Green. Mr. Green is the chief propertyman of the Grand Opera House, and a member of the National Alliance of Bill Posters and Billers, local No. 3.

Sam T. Jack, we are informed, once had a variety theater in New York City, right in the heart of Broadway. His creole company once played the house for two weeks to good business. The stars were Bob Cole, Stella Wiley, Irving Jones, Doc Sayles, Clarence Powell, Sylvester Russell, Margaret Scott, Florence Hines and the Great Gauze. Broadway must be old.

Mallory Bros. & Brooks, also Miss Grace Halliday, will close a season of thirty-six weeks with The Fenberg Co. at London, Canada, May 30th, and will then take a vacation during the month of June at their home, Jacksonville, Ill., after which they are engaged to play the best western parks, opening at Forest Highland Park, St. Louis, Mo., in July, with Sans Souci Park, Chicago, Ill., to follow.

Williams and Walker recently appeared at a monstrous benefit for the Vaudeville Actors' Home. The affair took place at the great Metropolitan Opera House, New York City. This noble effort on the part of these two famous comedians happened just in time to be above all things interesting. The closing address of the Colored Actors' Fund "proposition" will no doubt throw more light on the subject. The question is, what will be the memorial solution when all these things are tested?

Notes from "A Rabbit's Foot Company:" Business big as usual. We turned away at least three hundred people at Jacksonville. The press and public everywhere say that "A Rabbit's Foot" is better than ever. The ghost walks every Sunday morning, and every one is happy. We will get our new Pullman in a few weeks. We carry thirty-six performers and musicians and ten canvassmen. We also have two advance agents, namely, J. T. Coleman and T. C. Williams. Our whole "gang" is colored—not one white face among us, and we are in the heart of the South, and we have just as many white ladies and gentlemen at our show as colored. We are making money and do not care if people like to hear about or talk about "Rabbits" or not. We wish all our friends and enemies success as we are having. The "knockers" worked hard but they did not do any harm. We can place good musicians at all times.

J. Harvey Jackson sends the following from New York City: "On Tuesday afternoon, April 28, at the Trans-Atlantic Steamship Co's. pier over one thousand well wishers of Messrs. Willams and Walker and the members of their "In Dahomey" company were present to see them off and wish them well on their trip to London, England, where they are booked to open up at the Shaftesbury Theatre on May 18. This will be London's first opportunity to see an all-colored company in a show written and staged by colored men. Half anhour before the gangplank was drawn in Messrs. Williams and Walker held an informal reception in the grand saloon, at which there were fully five hundred persons present, representing fashionable negro and white society, clubs and the theatrical profession, including "Kid Sneeze," who by the way, footed it from the Douglass Club to the pier. There was much opening of champagne and toasting of the company, and they carried with them the best wishes for success of a large circle of friends. In evidence of this the main saloon of the vessel had the appearance of a well stocked hothouse, with the thousands of American Beauty roses sent by friends to the different members of the company. There were several beautiful baskets sent by prominent white society people, and one particularly large and handsome one, in which, hidden in a mass of roses, was a dozen bottles of Mumm's extra dry, sent by Messrs. Hurtig and Seamon, the hustling managers of the company. Immediatly on the departure of the ship the company under the able direction of Jesse Shipp, began rehearsals of new material written and arranged for the European engagement. In the hold of the ship is Mr. Bert Williams' new $1,800 automobile and a complete set of scenery and costumes making one of the most elaborate productions ever taken from this country to London. On the last day of the voyage a full dress public rehearsal will be given on board for the benefit of the Seamen's Fund. * * Cole and Johnson are the head liners at Keith's Union Square Theatre this week, and are making an enormous hit singing their own compositions. * * Yeager and Yeager's Funny Folks in Dixie have been booked for an engagement of fifteen week over the Shea circuit of parks. They will present Mr. Yeager's original farce, entitled "The Czar of Dixie." Among those with the company are Bob A. Kelly, Eva LaRhue, Bailey and Fletcher, Miss Florence White, the Moxley's, Chas. B. Foster, the Towells, Arthur Rhodes, Lillie Alexander, Lou Lasalle and Professor Ford Dabney, as musical director. The company will soon open at Hartford, Conn., May 30. * * Jones, Grant and Jones were at Proctor's 5th avenue Theater Sunday night. They are presenting their clever act this week at the Trocadera Theatre. This trio will sail for Europe Nov. 30, to fill engagements. * * Harry P. Brown, the eccentric singing comedian left Sunday for Albany, N. Y., where he will begin a tour of the Proctor circuit. * * Margaret Scott, the nightingate, is at the Atlantic Garden this week. * * Chas. H. Moore, basso, has signed contracts with C. E. Callahan, of the Fogg's Ferry and Coon Hollow companies, to play an important role in his new melodrama "Pennsylvania" next season. Lankins and Patterson were at the Dewey theater Sunday night. * * The Britons—Joe and Sadie —are making a big hit this week at the Atlantic Garden. * * Tom Brown's Octoroons began rehearsal Monday. Among those engaged are Wesley and Ida Hill, Brown and Navarro, and Chas. H. Moore. * * Grant and Grant were on the bill Sunday night at the Circle Music Hall. * * Remember you can get the Freeman every Saturday at Slaughter's tonsorial parlors, 114 W. 31st street. Read it and learn the doings of the race at home and abroad.

CHICAGO, ILL., NOTES.

Marsh Craig, the world's greatest contortionist, late of Williams and Walker Co., is home. He is looking fine and sends regards to all his friends * * A bunch of colored fellows from Wilmington, Del., have formed temselves into a band and joined the Cole Younger and Frank James Wild-west show, which opened here May 1. * * Members of the Hottest Coon in Dixie Co., Maharas, No. 1 Minstrel Co., Ruscoe and Holland, Slayton's Jubilee Singers, Glazier's and Phil. Miller's Jubilee Singers, the Giant Quartette, are in the city, and are constant callers at the theatrical exchange, 336 27th st. * * Billy and Mrs. Kersands, late of Ruscoe and Hollands, who closed a successful engagement with said company, are at home, and wish to be remembered to all friends. Billy is looking younger and seems to be in the pink of health. * * Dude Kelly was recently married. We wish him success. Kindest regards to all. * * W. J. Pickard, late of Williams and Walker, stopped off in this city, en route to Denver, Colo., and was a caller at headquarters. * * Daddy Love was able, though not very strong, to make his appearance at his shop and theatrical headquarters and liven things up by entertaining the boys with his sweet voice and monologuism. Wishes to be remembered to all friends. * *

We are sorry to note the severe illness of John Brewer, late of vaudeville fame, at his residence, 2723 Wabash ave., with pneumonia. We hope he will soon be able to be out again. * * Goggin and Davis are in the city and opened up last Monday in one of the leading vaudeville houses, and as usual, are the favorites of the bill. * * Baily and Spiller are at home again. They send regards to all their friends. * * James Tucker sends his best regards to all his friends. * * Caldwell and Thomas are the talk. See their act and you will talk, too. Nuff said.

THE ACTORS' FUND.

(First Statement.)

—By Sylvester Russell.—

The first effort to found an actors' fund, it seems to me, is not so much a question of solution as it is for co-operation. It should meet with the hearty approval of the intelligent and most influential performers, and the endorsement of all managers. Without the approval and unanimous cooperation of those whom I will name as advisors, no fund can be established.

The naming of some actors who are in the best of circumstances does not mean that they will have to contribute one cent more than anybody else individually.

The fund must be established by a system of benefit performances, which would only come through their influence. The system which I now contrive to introduce is the simplest and easiest method to adopt and sustain that could be possibly carried out by an organization of traveling people.

The first effort in raising money would be of no avail unless enough could be raised in one combined effort to place the fund at once on a popular, independent basis.

It should be cheerfully sustained by every actor, singer, musician, song writer, pianist and playwright in the profession. The first step to be taken would be for each actor on the list to agree with the proposition set forth, if possible, but not against his will. These actors will be looked upon as the board of advisors for the profession. I have formulated plans, which, if agreed upon by the board, and indorsed by managers, will establish the fund within a year.

There will be questions to be decided by the board before any of the managers are approached. Managers should not be approached on this subject before that time; they will please not give actors any opinion on the subject whatever until formally requested.

Each of the board of advisors is requested to think for himself in giving a decision to questions which will come up. There is no objection to their consulting with other performers outside of the board, to extract opinions to add to their own judgment.

Regarding my own personal interest in the fund, I will state now for all time, that if actors will support the proposition, we will not only establish an actors' fund, but look forward to having a home supported by a music publishing concern.

In directing the establishment of an actors' fund I do so for the good of the cause and free of charge. I do not desire and would not handle any of the fund money under any circumstances, and ask nothing except being a proud member by paying my own yearly dues. But the fund will necessarily have to work through the public medium of the Freeman columns. The Freeman will therefore have to be supported to a certain trivial extent for space and labor in giving out news.

This is right and just, and all these things will be considered in my coming statements. The intelligent, distinguished people who I name as advisors are asked only to believe in my logic as I write it down. They should not view my work with personal like or dislike regarding this fund, nor judge me according to my views on things theatrical which may not have met with their approval. This fund can not be established on the same basis as the white actors' fund for the following reasons:

We have no local managers of equal standing with managers of our traveling shows large enough in collective number in New York or Chicago to successfully operate the fund. We must therefore turn to Indianapolis, which is quite centrally located, to establish headquarters for quick action and quick news.

Granted that the fund can not be operated by managers for reasons which I have just stated, leaves the responsibility of the enterprise entirely in the hands of the actors themselves. There is little room for ceremony; everything is ready for action. Actors whose names are not on the list will be expected to give hearty support.

The board is already too large, but I have chosen performers to represent different sections who are engaged before the public continually.

The above statement, and all others to follow will be known as the "Russell Proposition."

All performers are requested to cut this and other statements out and keep them in reserve for future information.

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ZIMMERMAN'S BENEFIT.

With the approaching close of the present season at the Empire the stir and bustle consequent upon the benefit about to be tendered Mr. Chas. Zimmerman is a convinving proof of the manager's popularity among the devotees of this famous play house.

It is to be hoped that the benefit will be a huge success. No more deserving man than Mr. Zimmerman upon whom to confer such tokens of esteem and regard could be found.

TO THE PROFESSION.

This is to certify that I, P. B. Ross, Hendrix, am a correspondent of the theatrical news for the Freeman, and not Mr. James L. Love, known to the profession as "Daddy." I make his exchange my headquarters and he is not responsible for one letter of my correspondence. If my criticisms are not satisfactory, do not meet with your approval, don't blame Mr. Love, for he is innocent of all the charges against him. He knows nothing whatever of my dictations to the Freeman for publication. I only use his name and headquarters, for my heading, as every professional visits here while in the city. I am fearless and always firm in my convictions and criticisms. For some unknown cause he has been censured, and accused wrongfully, and in order to do him justice, I make this public statement, so you will know it is not he, but myself. I hope from now on, if my name should accidentally fail to appear, it is not Mr. Love. My shoulders are broad, and if you have any grievances to make concerning my criticism make them to me. I am not using Mr. Love's good name or place of business as a shield to protect me from assaults or abuses hurled, for I am every inch a man, can and do stand firm upon any criticism rendered for or against. If you do not see me when you call, wait, for I will be in shortly to defend my own case.

Hoping that I have now vindicated Mr. Love's innocence plain enough, I remain Respectfully,

P. B. ROSS HENDRIX,

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45 to 50	6 25	400 00	200 00	11 40	2 85
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45 to 50	13 00	700 00	25 00	6 25

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The members of the Fountains and Rosebuds of the organization wear no expensive regalia. The regalia of the organization is simple and its cost within the reach of all, costing from 10 cents to $350 the same is made by the organization in what is known as the Regalia Department.

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PRAISEWORTHY

Are the Efforts of Mallory Brothers and Brooks.

New York, Feb. 18, 1903.

Editor of The Freeman:

Dear Sir:—I am aware that your paper is devoted exclusively to the interests of the colored race, and that your columns are open only to colored writers, yet I crave permission to contribute this article, which I sincerely believe vitally interests all colored people. In your Christmas number, which I had the pleasure of perusing, appeared an article by an author whose name I cannot recall, on the "Future of the Colored Race." He touched the keynote of this great question, when he said that the power of uplifting and advancing laid within the breasts of each colored man or woman, and that the sooner they realized the futility of depending upon someone else to do this work, and earnestly and intelligently began to do it for themselves, the earlier their deliverance from the bondage of social ostracism, prejudice and political disbarment would be accomplished. The truth of this theory lies in the examples (which are too few) of colored men and women who have by perseverance, talent and good sense, won the respect and admiration of the white race. At the head of this noble band, stands the Hon. Booker T. Washington, but the purpose of this article is not to refer to him nor to others with whom I am not personally acquainted, but to introduce directly several colored ladies and gentlemen whom I am proud to call my friends, and whose example the colored race in general will do well to emulate. I refer to the Mallory Brothers and their Wives, Mazie Brooks and Grace Holliday, with whom I have been associated in the theatrical profession. It is true God gave them talent, but He gave them more—the knowledge and strength to know and to do the things which have made them not only artists but ladies and gentlemen, whose merits have erased the "color line" with all sensible white people who know them. A southerner myself, my grandfather a slave owner—with an inherited race prejudice—I did not believe it possible that I could or would at any time entertain the feelings of friendship and equality which I publicly avow for the persons I have named. So you see that the colored man who wins the victory over himself, not only accomplishes his own elevation, but teaches the white man a moral lesson also. All honor to them from white and black. As some noted author has justly said: "He who conquers himself is greater than he who taketh a city." What is possible for one is possible in a greater or lesser degree for all. Let every colored man and woman who truly desires to advance beyond their present environment diligently seek the method.

I have not the time nor will I tresspass upon your space to specify the ways and means—I leave that to the able writers who contribute to your columns, but I will say that is not by idleness, coarseness, force of rights—fancied or legal—nor by anything which offends or confirms the prejudices of the white race.

I will incidentally add that the Mallory Brothers and Brooks are well known musical artists, whose act has been applauded by intelligent audiences from Maine to California, and that Grace Holliday is equally well known as a vocalist of unquestioned ability. But in addition to their musical talents they have this season played important dramatic parts with a white company, and not only won the approbation of their audiences, but of their fellow actors and the management as well. Grace Holliday in particular has shown marked dramatic ability and I predict for her a briliant future in this branch of our prefession.

Yours truly,
SAM. C. MILLER.

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Columbia, Tenn., Special.—A Tackey Concert was given at St. Paul A. M. E. Church Thursday night. Prizes were given to the tackiest person in the contest, which proved to be Mrs. Robert Goodloe. The entertainment closed with a grand cake-walk. Clifford Cannon and "Lady" Charlies Nicholson won the first prize in this contest. The proceeds will be used for the interior improvements of the Church. * * Mrs. Samuel Hogue (nee Miss Isabelle Kittrell), of Nashville, formerly of Columbia, visited friends and relatives here recently. * * Mr. Sampson Brown closed his school at Rock Springs, Friday night, with exercises. * * Mr. John Huff, after visiting his relaties here, has returned to Indianapolis. * * The base-ball team for the coming season is being reorganized, with Ben Spindle as captain. * * Mrs. John Brown, of E. Tenth St., Rev. George Moore and Mrs. Susan Watkins, of East Hill, are on the sick list. * * The Columbia Musical Club, under the direction of Mr. Ed F. Dew, will present, sometime in May, a comic operetta, entitled "A Single Married Man." The music, which is selected from the most popular melodies in "Offenbach's Celebrated Opera Bouffe, Madaam L'Archdor," also choruses from Loengoin and Floradora, which will be rendered by a chorus of thirty voices of the most talented singers in the city. Mr. D. Ward, president; Miss M. E. Kelly, pianist.

JEFFERSONVILLE NOTES.

Mrs. Mary Morris is ill. * * Mrs. Vinnie Booker has gone to Carlinton, Ky. * * Mrs. Mary J. Hill will go to Chicago on the 15th. * * The High School is getting ready for their commencement. * * The electric street cars will be running in this city about May 10th. * * Mrs. Sallie Heady is very ill at her home on W Att street. * * Gliding Star Chapter, of Charleston, Ind., was visited by Nellie M. Gray, R. G. M., last week. After an instructive lecture, a reception was enjoyed. * * Rev. Underwood, of Henderson, Ky., was the guest of Mrs. Mary Gray, Friday. * * The rally at Bethel A. M. E. Church, Sunday, was a success. The sacred program at night was also enjoyable.

Pick-Up Items.

Danville, Va., Special.—Wm. Sampson was found dead in his bed on the 23d ult. His funeral services were held from the house. He had been in bad health for several years. He leaves a father, mother, sister and two brothers. * * Rev. W. T. Hall has returned home from an extended visit in Philadelphia. He filled the pulpit last Sunday at the High Street aptist Church. * * There was a debate at the Loyal Street Church last Friday. Subject, "Resolved, that Abraham Lincoln was a greater man than Thomas Jefferson." The contestants were W. A. Miller, W. S. Black, affirmative, and James Chapin in the negative. Donations from those present of 10 cents each will devide the debate. * * John Mulford died on the 20th at the Home for the Sick, where he was taken for an operation. His funeral occurred from Jones Chapel Baptist Church, Rev. B. B. Brandon officiating.

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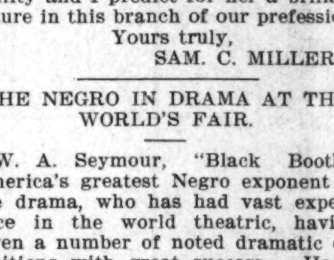

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I, for one, as one in the midst. My heart ached from the cruel treatment of my husband and the way he would throw away his time and money until I consulted this wonderful lady. It will soon be a year. Through her he has become a loving husband; and today he presents me with a lovely lot on which he will in the spring erect a home. Tongue can't praise her too highly.

A LADY of New Iberia, La.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 17. 1902.

Madame McNairdee. Indianapolis, Ind.:

Dear Madame.—Your letter like a ray of sunshine, came duly to hand and I am very pleased with it, for every word of it were true; I am sorry that I did not write to you months ago. I enclose $6.00 for your service, hoping that you may be successful in bringing about desired results. I feel quite sure that you can. I am very sorry to hear of your being ill, and sincerely hope your speedy recovery.

Molino, Fla., Nov. 14, 1902.

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F. J.

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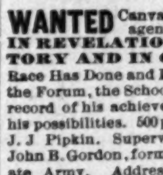

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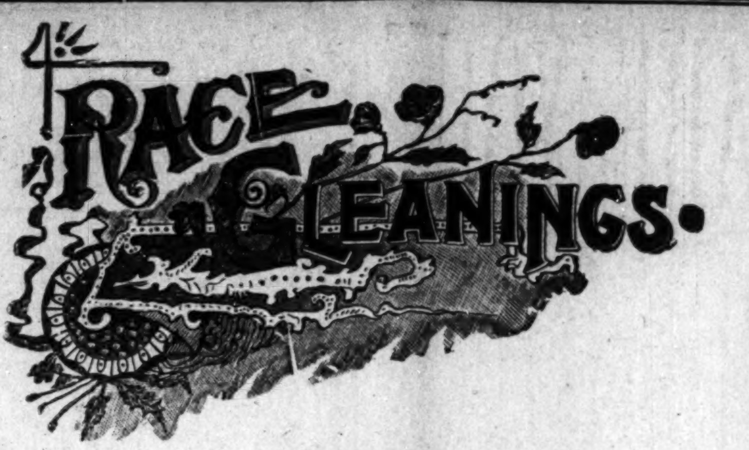

Race Gleanings.

Georgia Negroes own $15,188,069 of property, real, personal and mixted. This is a magnificent showing.

Negroes are now employed for the first time as ticket-takers on the Manhattan Elevated Railroad in New York City.

Mr. W. H. H Smith, of Jackson, Miss., for many years a valued clerk in the pension bureau, died suddenly a few days ago.

W. P. Robinson, colored, and A. C. Koyston, colored, were recently appointed carriers on the free city delivery routes at Bessmer, Ala.

Hon. James M. Moody, one of the few Southern Republican members of the present house, died at his home in Waynesville, North Carolina.

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Reverend Flowers, colored, was assassinated while sitting in a house ten miles from Hugo, I. T., a few days ago. He was shot through a crack in the wall.

Banks continue to be established by colored men. Two recent enterprises of this character—one at Vicksburg, Miss., and the other at Little Rock, Ark.

John S. Nobles, said to have been a law graduate of Howard University died recently at Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, leaving no estate and no known relatives.

The Pen and Pencil Club, of Washington. D. C., did a very appropriat thing in the celebration of Frederick Douglas birthday on the 14th of February. An elaborate souvenir program was gotton out for the occasion, which in itself marked the character of the entertainment. The name of the grand old man should be revered. He played well his part in life.

Lena Magdalen Blakey, the famous colored authoress, beauty and educator, who is today the most picturesque and conspicous colored girl in the country, in the public eye, will it is said. Go to Nashville, Tenn., in June as a special press represenative. For some of the foremost newspapers, from Maine to California, to attend the various university commencements. Her coming to the State Capital, where she's well known, will be hailed with delight by the populace who extended to her a royal welcome in 1902. Miss Blakey will herald the elaborate commencement's for which Nashville Universities are noted, throughout the country, as done by the correspondents of the gentler sex This will be the first instance on record where a colored girl has done a similar thing, and Miss Blakey is certainly paving the way for her sex, which, if emulated, will steer them on to the goal of a more successful career.

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Shaw University of Raleigh, N. C., awarded diplomas to thirteen graduates in medicine, five in pharmacy and six in law.

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Commissioner Stinson of Morris Brown College, Atlanta, Ga., has been in New York recently in the interest of his school.

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Prof. R. S. Lovinggood, A. M., has been representing the Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society at a number of points in the North and before several conferences of the North and West. The professor is president of Samuel Houston College, Austin, Texas.

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Campbell College Campus Dots.

Spring here. All nature is alive, up and doing. The garden responds to the tickling hoe. Students gave a concert in honor of the season. Everybody satisfied with the examination.

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Some of Our Recent Visitors—Bishop Tyree, who spoke on "An education and how to use it;" Dr. C. S. Bowman on "Christian Dogma and Race Patriotism;" Rev. S. R. Andrews of Executive Board gave a practical talk. Other Visitors—Rev. O. A. Douglass, P. E., Rev. A. J. Russell of Yazoo City, Editor W. H. Rogers, H. B. Daniel of the "Striker," Rev. P. H. Fisher P E, Rev E. R Canter, Rev. J. E. Canter and ev. Cartwright.

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O—Of prejudice great in one and all,
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E—Every year would find us marching on,
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E—Evoking plaudits on every hand, from every land.

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WHAT THE FREEMAN WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

Will there be another fuss over the presidency of the National Press Association this year?

Who will the Pen and Pencil Club of Washington send as delegates to the Press Convention at Louisville?

If President Hawkins, Organizer Curtis and Secretary Wiles will get the Personal Liberty League in line for representation at the Louisville Suffrage Convention in July?

If ex-Senator W. Lee Person of North Carolina writes with a red-hot poker upon sheets of asbestas?

Couldn't Editor W. Calvin Chase be "real good" if he would only try desperately hard?

Where did "Sundown Dr." G. H. Richardson of Ohio and the District of Columbia get his absurd statistics on Tuskegee graduates?

Does Cleveland really mean it when he says he is "out of politics for all time?"

If Henry Watterson wouldn't do well to tread lightly on the insinuation that a stout New Jersey gentleman is cheating old age out of a deserved repose?

What Negro newspaper or what public speaker is demanding "social equality" for anybody?

If Justice Holmes decides that, when a Negro is tried before a jury composed wholly of white men, he is confronted by his "peers," is this another form of declaring that a Negro is as good as a white man?

Are the so-called "Negrophites" to be rated as the logical successors of the "abolitionists?"

How many of us expect to take a ride on the prospective Panama canal?

How will Senator Perkins "square himself" with his California colored constiuents?

Will Editor F. P. McAlpine be able to float a daily race paper at Birmingham, Ala.?

Isn't Tuskegee Institute's strong hold upon the respect and patronage of the masses and the classes a convincing test of its utility?

Is the letting out of Negro waiters at the West House, St. Paul, Minn., the beginning of the end of the race's one-time monopoly of this form of industry?

Why will women proceed to kick because the public insists upon judging them by the company they keep?

When will Negro business men learn that intemperance can be indulged in only at the expense of their vital interests?

HANNIBAL, MO., NOTES.

Mrs. W. E. Helms, who has been in the city for the past two weeks the guest of Miss Lucy Campbell, in Summit street, left the city for Chicago, Ill., on an extended visit to her mother, of that city. * * Mrs. Harry Gasberry, who has been quite ill, is now able to be out again. * * Mr. F. Clay returned to this city from Minneapolis, where he went to bring his sister, Miss Mollie Clay, home, who is quite ill. * * Mr. Earl Williams was in the city on April 26th. * * Miss Dora Lason, who has been out of the city on extended visits, has returned. * * The latest things in hats and trimmings are at the Variety Store, owned by Miss Ella V. Robinson, in Market street. * * The funeral of Mr. John Kennett was solemnied at the family residence in Lindell avenue, Sunday, the 28th, at 2:30 o'clock. * * Rev. C. R. McDowell has moved from Broadway to the beautiful little home of Mr. Martin Lewis, in Arch street. * * Don't forget the Freeman. Get it every Saturday of the agent, W. W. Booker, in Washington avenue. * * The members of the Friday Club entertained their husbands and gentlemen friends Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Roberts. It was a "Surprise Party" to the gentlemen. A very pleasing program was rendered. Each member on the program was a surprise to the gentlemen, as each one afterward declared that had he known what was to follow, he might have done his part better. A committee, composed of Messrs. Brown, Hopkins and Austin, arranged a program for the next meeting. Refreshments were served, after which all joined in singing "Home, Sweet Home."

Personal and News Notes

Lebanon, Ky., Special.—Mr. F. B. Hawkins, of Eminence, Ky., Grand Master of the G. U. O. of O. F., was with us on the 22nd ult., on his annual visit. The Household of Ruth, No. 1371, met in full regalia and in due form, in the hall, promptly at 3 o'clock p. m., and was addressed by the Grand Master, who gave words of encouragement, and the hearts of the members were made glad. A grand banquet was prepared by the good sisters, which took place at 7 o'clock p. m. The hall and table were beautifully decorated; more especially was the table loaded with the many good things made palatable, of which all present partook with great enjoyment. The Grand Master paid a high compliment to the ladies and brethren for the most cordial and welcome way he had been received and entertained. In due time the brethren were called from refreshments to the lodge room above. No. 3485 was opened in due form by the Noble Grand, who formally introduced the Grand Master, who made an address most acceptable and cheering to all, who felt in accord with the words of King David, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity," etc. All claims were promptly paid, and at the close of the lodge a hearty hand-shake was exchanged and "God be with you till we meet again." The Grand Master reported the order to be in good condition in the district which embraces the State of Kentucky. One of the pleasant and profitable features looked forward to is the endowment, to be established soon, which will be a greater benefit to its members than many of the present insurances. The Grand Master left on the 23rd for Campbellville.

Happenings of the Week.

Houston, Tex., Special.—Prof. Phillips went to Flatona on business last week. * * Edward Reese, one of Houston's entertainers, is in Beaumont. * * Houston people are puzzled as to whether they seen more eggs on Easter Sunday, in Houston, than Easter suits. * * Mr. Martin Young, the proprietor of the Big Four saloon, left last Sunday night on business in northern Texas. * * The write-up in the Houston news department will commence to grow if the people at large will read the Freeman and subscribe for it. See the agent of your city, give him your subscription and your news, and the paper, the agent and the people will all be satisfied. * * Mr. J. Miller has purchased a fine slide trombone, and is now before the public, doing good work. Go ahead, James. The horn is Conn brand. * * Mr. S. Isles has a beautiful rig—rubber style. How many more will show up? Numbers of them. * * The fourth annual Easter cotillion of the Zenda Club was pulled off at the Odd Fellow's Hall last Monday night. It was a grand affair in every respect. The hall was elaborately decorated. * * Mr. W. Conaway, the day bartender at the ig 4 saloon, was taken very ill last Sunday. * * A number of colored people from different parts of the State were in the city this week taking advantage of cheap rates during the Horse Show. * * Mr. J. T. Walton, of Island City, was in our city last Sunday, shaking hands with his many friends. * * Mr. John Johnson, of Brenham, is in the city visiting relatives. * * Mr. Lee Wilson and family have moved to Clayville, Texas, on account of location for health. All who know Mr. Wilson regret to lose such a good citizen. * * Mr. James Green has returned from Dallas and is at his old post.

Weekly Items.

Jackson, Mich., Special.—The Taylor Carter's Fountain will give a literary and musical entertainment the 6th of May, at the A. O. U. W. Hall. Admission, 10 cents. * * Messrs. H. P. Brown and E. R. Johnson and Miss Eva Johnson visited Albion last week. * * Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Harrison have returned from Flint. * * The Home Circle met with Mrs. Carrie Boles last Wednesday. Luncheon was served by the hostess. * * Mrs. James Gilberts is convalescent. * * Miss Mabel McDonald is indisposed. * * Mrs. Levi Harrison and daughter have returned from Flint. * * Any one desiring the Freeman will please call on our agent, Flossie M. Johnson, 216 East Franklin street.

LOGANSPORT, IND., ITEMS.

The Odd Fellows and Ruths are preparing to go to Marion. * * Rev. Taylor is slightly improving. * * Mrs. Stone left for her home in Kokomo, Saturday, after a week's visit with Mrs. O. Jones. * * Mr. and Mrs. Curtis will soon leave for more healthful regions, owing to the health of Mr. Curtis. * * The Jolly Picnic Party promises to be a success. * * Miss Jessie Winslow is on the sick list. * * A select few of the young people have organized a club. * * The Ladies' Sewing Circle met at the home of Mrs. Turner, Thursday afternoon. * * The Woman's Mite Missionary Society has an excellent program for Sunday evening.

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CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

Mr. Edward Gaillard has left the city on a tour through the South.

The family of Mr. S. Wimp has arrived from Chicago to reside.

Mitchell Edmonds has gone to Louisville, Ky., for a few weeks stay.

Mrs E. L. Gilliam left to-day to join her husband in Columbus, Ohio.

Allen Chapel held a very successful quarterly conference last Sunday.

Miss Pearl Hicks and Rena Forson were the guests of Louisville friends last Sunday.

Mr. William S. Baldwin of Ohio is in the city for a few days shaking hands with old friends.

A reception was tendered Rev. W. H. Riley, the new pastor of Simpson Chapel, Thursday evening.

Bishop Grant returned from Philadelphia, Pa, Monday, and leaves to-day for Princeton, Ind

Bishop Grant lectured at Allen Chapel Friday evening. His subject was excellent and instructive.

Taylor Woodfork died at his residence, 1730 Martindale avenue, and was buried Wednesday at 2:30 p. m.

Messrs. Burton Slaughter and Sam Howard of Hopkinsville, Ky., spent Sunday in New Albany, Ind.

Messrs. Orin Bray and Webb of Springfield, Ohio, will arrive to-morrow and take permanent residence.

Items of interest will be accepted for this column. New phone 2880; old phone, black, 7187—two rings.

Mrs. Sims of Edinburg, Ind., is in the city, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Harry Williams, in Olive street.

Mrs. Margaret Miller of Louisville, Ky., was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Martha Brown, 514 W. 14th street, Sunday.

Miss Cora Julius of Marion, Ind., gave several excellent baritone renditions at Bethel church Monday and Tuesday evenings.

Mr. Thomas Fossett of Muncie was in the city this week. Mr. Fossett holds a position on the regular grand jury of his county.

Mrs. Kate I. Easton and daughters, Misses Kate and Lizzie, of Cincinnati will spend Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Brown.

To-morrow is communion Sabbath at St. Paul Episcopal Mission. Installation of the officers of the Ladies' Guild will also take place.

Rev. W. H. Riley of Simpson Chapel preached two instructive sermons at that church Sunday to large and appreciative congregations.

Mrs. Clara Rawson died at her residence, 318 W. 14th street, and was buried from Corinthian Baptist church Wednesday at 2 p. m

Attorney Isidor Blair has returned from St. Louis, where he attended the opening of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. Mr. Blair contemplates making St. Louis his future home.

The feature of the service at Bethel church, last Sunday evening, was a special sermon to hotel men. Headwaiters Stewart and Gibbs with their staff occupied seats reserved for them

Mr. E. C. Day recently returned from a trip and addressed the Young Men's Christian Association on the subject of "Influence." He was followed by Geo. W. Cable, who will be the speaker tomorrow. The meetings are being well attended and interest increases.

Mrs. George Sissell left Tuesday for Cincinnati to meet the general board of managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the M. E. church. An interesting and beneficial program has been arranged upon which Mrs. Sissell will appear. During her stay Mrs. Sissell will be entertained by Mrs Dr. M. C. B. Mason and Mrs. H. U. Simmons.

The W. H. and F. H. Society of Mt. Zion Baptist church were entertained by Mrs. Carrie Day at 104 N. Senate avenue, last Thursday, and the following officers were installed: Mrs. E. P. Woods, president; Mrs. William Summers, vice-president; Mrs. Lena Taylor, secretary; Miss Mollie Ballauger, assistant secretary; Mrs. Powell, treasurer; Mrs. Carrie Day, critic; Mrs Callie B. Brown, journalist. The society will be entertained next Thursday by Miss Clara Mayes in West 11th street.

The Historical and Literary Congress of the Fourth Episcopal District of the A. M. E. church will be held, together with the 30th anniversary of the ministerial life of Bishop Abraham Grant, D. D., in Bethel A. M. E. church this city, June 10th to 12th. Any minister in good standing in the A. M. E. church may be enrolled as a member. These congresses have been held for the last nine years with much profit to those attending. It will also be a testimonial in honor of Bishop Grant, who has given thirty years of toil to the church of his choice.

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Aside from the clownishness of the great "Dumpus," who was the backstop for Skip-town's bunch, the game was exceedingly dull and uniteresting. Jas. Waldon is a promising youngster and doubtless "Skip-town" will forge him to the front in a manner that he will be heard from in the future. "Dumpus" secured the only home run. Whilst the hit was unquestionably a swell drive, it was denuded somewhat of its dignity by the grotesque mannerisms of Dumpus as he stunted the ring with a hump in his back that would rival Ringling Bros. largest dromedary. However, it was a terrific smash, and sounded, when the club came in contact with the sheep-skin like some one pounding a human being in the belly with a bed slat.

So many scores were piled up during the first three long, tiresome innings that it renders a correct estimate impossible. Darkness forced the umpire to declair hostilities at an end when the conclusion of the fourth was reached. The A. B. C's. comprise not a little base ball talent, and from the showing they made will be a hard proposition throughout the season.

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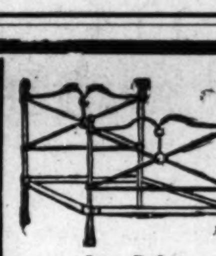

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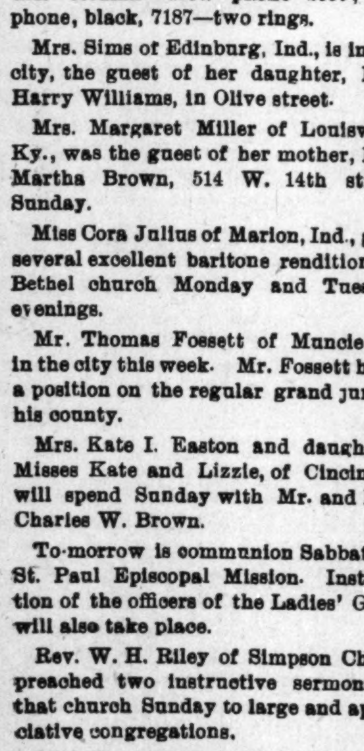

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